Your guide to living on campus Arizona State University
I lived on campus for four years. I really enjoyed it. First, the convenience — all of your friends are living in the same area as you. And I made friends by living in the residence halls. We studied together and went to the dining hall together. I still have friends that I met my first year.

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Your own little neighborhood right outside your door

Life in an Arizona State University residence hall isn’t dorm life — it’s community life. You’ll select your room in a hall that houses other students in your college and academic program, in what we call residential colleges. With friends and classmates living right next door, across the way, and up and down your hall, you’re immediately part of a welcoming community on your floor.

And one of the cool things about living on campus is that you’re right next to everything. Classes, amenities and services are all just steps away. No matter what your plans on campus are for the day, your commute is always convenient.

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A focus on wellness

ASU is committed to providing all students with a safe campus environment by offering services and resources to keep you secure on and around campus.

asu.edu/safety

Secure residence halls
Staffed 24 hours a day and require a student ID to enter.

ASU Police
The ASU Police Department is a full-service, 24-hour campus police force.

Safety escorts
Request a trained safety escort if you’re on campus late.

Emergency call boxes
Connect directly to the ASU Police Department.

ASU Alert system
Receive text messages and emails about situations on or near campus.

Counseling Services
Confidential, professional counseling is available on every campus.

LiveSafe app
Call for emergency assistance, send police anonymous tips or have a friend virtually walk you home.
That feeling when you’re exactly where you belong

When you’re not in class or studying at ASU, you and your friends can explore a bigger community — the metro Phoenix area. With nearly 300 days of sunshine a year, the nation’s fifth-largest city will become your playground. You’ll have endless places to eat, grab a coffee, hike, play, shop and create.

Get started with our Live Like a Local travel map. It’s packed with information on the must-visit student spots in the area. Check out as many as you can during your time at ASU to really experience the Phoenix vibe.

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Residence hall features

• Group recreation and study areas.
• Full community kitchens.
• Comfortable, fully furnished rooms.
• Utilities, cable and Wi-Fi.
• Free laundry facilities.
• Academic support activities and study groups.
• Assigned community assistants to offer help and support.

Make your move

Reserve your housing

All first-year students are expected to live on campus and experience ASU’s one-of-a-kind residential communities. Once you pay your enrollment deposit, you will be able to apply for housing in mid-January.

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Dine on campus

Students who live on campus are required to have a meal plan. View all your dining options based on your campus location, and choose the meal plan that best fits your needs.

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Community amenities

• Steps away from classes, professors, libraries and tutoring services.
• Collaborative study spaces.
• State-of-the art fitness center, group fitness classes, intramurals, sport clubs and personal training.
• Easy access to ASU health and wellness resources and counseling services.
• Dining halls, fast casual restaurants, cafes and on-campus markets.
• A 24/7 community of support.
Welcome to metro Phoenix, future Sun Devil. It’s time to get to know your campus community and some of the most popular spots where students hang out during their time at ASU.

“A” Mountain has a long history as a home to Native Americans and ASU. It’s named after the letter “A” that adorns it. Each year, first-year students paint the 60-foot gold “A” white to signify a fresh start to the school year.

Sun Devil Stadium and Desert Financial Arena are the proud homes of ASU’s rich tradition of Sun Devil athletics. Sun Devil Stadium is home to ASU football, and Desert Financial Arena is the home of men’s and women’s basketball as well as volleyball, gymnastics and wrestling. ASU’s 365 Community Union has turned the nearly 60-year-old landmark stadium in the buttes into a year-round hub of activity the entire community can enjoy.

Palm Walk is the most photographed site on the Tempe campus, and is a popular north-south campus corridor. From 2016 to 2018, the century-old palm trees were replaced with new date palms that provide more shade for pedestrians and fruit for the university’s annual date harvest.

Hayden Library was originally built in 1966 and was renovated in spring 2020. Hayden is the largest ASU library and features enhanced student space with added seating, state-of-the-art learning labs, active print collections and an entire floor devoted to innovation.

The ASU Art Museum was named the single most impressive venue for contemporary art in Arizona by Art in America magazine, and houses a collection of more than 12,000 objects, with emphasis on new ideas and media.

Gammage Auditorium is one of architect Frank Lloyd Wright’s final designs. Constructed in 1964, the building is named for Grady Gammage, the legendary ASU president who led Arizona State College’s campaign in the state legislature for a name change to Arizona State University in 1958.

The Biodesign Institute is a 350,000-square-foot facility designed to foster the fusion of previously distinct areas of science. The architectural elements reinforce the idea that science brings illumination, discovery and connection to our future.
**Downtown Phoenix Residence Hall and Entrepreneurship Center** is expected to open in fall 2021 and will be ASU’s second downtown residence hall. The 283,000-square-foot project will house more than 500 students in the top 13 floors.

**Taylor Place residence hall** is where all first-year students of the Downtown Phoenix campus are expected to live. It comprises two 13-story towers and features student lounges and meeting spaces, laundry facilities, on-site dining, a private terrace, and a 4,000-square-foot neighborhood shade garden.

**“Her Secret is Patience”** is a sculpture designed by artist Janet Echelman. The sculpture consists of painted galvanized steel, polyester twine netting and colored lights. It’s named after a phrase used by Ralph Waldo Emerson to describe the elements of Arizona nature.

**University Center Building** is the hub of the Downtown Phoenix campus, with classrooms, labs, seminar rooms, study areas, the library, the bookstore and a cafe.

**Arizona Center** is full of entertainment, shopping, dining and office space that create a unique, centralized hub. It is a prime place to grab a bite to eat or stroll through the courtyard. ASU classrooms and offices are located here as well.

**Mercado** is comprised of six Spanish-style buildings accommodating a variety of ASU classrooms and offices.

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**Getting around metro Phoenix**

- **Intercampus shuttle**
  The shuttle provides free transportation Monday through Friday between ASU campuses. Shuttles depart approximately every 15 minutes and feature bike racks, overhead luggage storage, reclining seats, undercarriage storage, USB charging ports and Wi-Fi.
  [cfo.asu.edu/shuttles](http://cfo.asu.edu/shuttles)

- **Biking**
  With such great weather, getting around town on a bike is a great way to experience Phoenix.

- **Light rail**
  The 26-mile line links Phoenix to Tempe and Mesa and includes stops at attractions like the Phoenix Art Museum, Chase Field, Talking Stick Resort Arena and Tempe’s Mill Avenue District.
  [valleymetro.org](http://valleymetro.org)

- **Ride share**
  Popular services like Uber and Lyft are another easy way to get around the metro Phoenix area.
Innovation Hub provides students with ample room to dream big, new ideas and create plans to make those ideas happen. Featured equipment includes a ShopBot 3D wood router, Epilog and Universal Laser engravers, 3D printers, a vinyl cutter, as well as a variety of hand tools and other prototyping equipment.

The Student Union features an expansive dining area and food court, and was the first public-use ASU building on the Polytechnic campus constructed from the ground up.

Century Hall and Lantana Hall are residence halls for first-year students with two residence wings linked together by a common area. Amenities include a community kitchen, multipurpose and collaborative study rooms, laundry facilities, a courtyard with gas grills, and a recreation area.

Quads is a group of buildings that provide several campus student services, including the University Technology Office, the University Housing offices and a UPS office for mailing convenience.

The Poly Garden Commons is a hands-on learning space for the ASU community supporting a holistic, local food system. Students and faculty members participate in the growing process through classes, guided events and volunteer hours.

The Simulator Building is where students in the professional flight program use five airplane simulators to prepare to take flight. Other laboratories for the engineering programs are also located here, so students get practical experience in building automotive, aeronautical and manufacturing technologies.
ASU’s West campus

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Changemaker Central is a student-run centralized resource hub for academic courses and cocurricular activities involving social entrepreneurship, civic engagement, service learning and community service that catalyze student-driven social change.

Devil’s Den student lounge and patio includes a student meeting space, and is connected to Provisions On Demand Market, a great spot for students to grab a Jamba Juice, quick beverage or snack.

Casa De Oro residence hall provides double-occupancy, suite-style units and includes a social lounge, a gaming lounge, study rooms, a community kitchen, laundry facilities, a business center and an interior landscaped courtyard.

The University Center Building is the center of campus life and houses Financial Aid and Scholarship Services, ASU Health Services, the Pat Tillman Veterans Center, and the Disability Resource Center.

Fletcher Library was the first building completed on the West campus. Group study rooms, the Student Success Center (a free tutoring center for writing, math, science and business) and the Computing Commons are a few key resources available here.

Paley Gates link the beginning and completion of a Sun Devil’s educational experience at the West campus. The gates, designed by modernist sculptor Albert Paley, are touched by incoming first-year students and by graduates each year before their commencement ceremonies.